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## Programme of meetings and agenda

## Official meetings

**Wednesday, 29 August 2012**

### General Assembly

**United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects**

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[Delegations are kindly requested to submit, to the Secretary-General of the Conference, their credentials *as soon as possible*. The credentials must be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Conference.]

[For further information on the Conference, please visit <www.poa-iss.org/RevCon2/>. To consult the list of side events, please *click here*.]

**General Assembly**
Sixty-sixth session

There will be an informal meeting of the plenary on an outcome document of the high-level meeting on the rule of law *today*, 29 August 2012, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

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**General Assembly**
Sixty-sixth session

The First, Special Political and Decolonization (Fourth Committee), Second, Third, Fifth and Sixth Committees will hold consecutive meetings on Tuesday, 4 September 2012, at 11 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall, for the purpose of electing their Chairs at the sixty-seventh session (agenda item 5) and their respective Bureaux.

The Chairs of regional groups who have not yet communicated all their nominations are requested to do so, *as soon as possible*, in order to facilitate the scheduled elections in a timely manner. Communications may be sent by e-mail (muturi@un.org) or sent by fax (1 (212) 963-3783). Telephone inquiries may be addressed to the focal point, Ms. Mary Muturi (tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

**General Assembly**
Sixty-sixth session

There will be an informal meeting of the plenary on the modalities of a world conference on indigenous peoples, on Tuesday, 4 September 2012, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

**General Assembly**
Sixty-sixth session

An informal interactive dialogue on the "Report of the Secretary-General on the responsibility to protect: Timely and decisive response" (A/66/874) will be held on Wednesday, 5 September 2012, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB). A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 9 August 2012, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

For inscription on the list of speakers, kindly send an e-mail to the General Assembly Affairs Branch indicating the name and the level of the speaker, *by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, 4 September* (heddachem@un.org).

Civil society organizations interested in attending the debate should register by sending an e-mail to mrozm@un.org by 6 p.m. *today*, 29 August. Subject to standard United Nations practices and time limitations, there may be space for representatives from civil society organizations to deliver interventions, to a maximum of *three minutes*. Those interested in delivering a statement should indicate this request in their registration e-mail.

## General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

*General debate*
*(25–28 September and 1 October 2012)*

The provisional list of speakers No. 1 for the general debate of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is now available at the General Assembly Affairs Branch (rooms IN-0613 and NLB-1033). The list of speakers has also been sent directly to the permanent missions (Office of the Permanent Representative).

Delegations are kindly reminded that, in accordance with existing practice at the sessions of the General Assembly, a voluntary 15-minute time limit should be observed during the general debate. The list of speakers was prepared on the basis of this 15-minute time limit statement by each delegation. In order to help the speakers to follow with the time for their statement, a mechanism will be installed at the rostrum.

Delegations may wish to inform their capital on this procedure.

*Programme of work and agenda*

The sixty-seventh session will convene at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 18 September 2012, at 3 p.m., and the general debate will open on Tuesday, 25 September. The high-level meeting on the rule of law at the national and international levels will be held on Monday, 24 September. The provisional agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/150, and annotations can be found in document A/67/100. A draft programme of work of the plenary for the sixty-seventh session is contained in document A/66/861, Section II.

*Seating protocol*

On Friday, 8 June 2012, the Secretary-General drew from among the Member States the name of Jamaica to occupy the first seat in the General Assembly Hall at the sixty-seventh session. Consequently, the delegation of Jamaica will sit at the first desk at the right of the President, and the other countries will follow in the English alphabetical order. The same order will be observed in the Main Committees.

# Economic and Social Council

## United Nations Children's Fund

### Executive Board
Informal briefing

The Executive Board of UNICEF will hold an informal briefing in preparation for the 2012 second regular session on the report on the implementation of the modified system for allocation of regular resources for programmes. The briefing will take place *today*, 29 August 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

**Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services**
Informal consultation

The Executive Board of UNDP, of UNFPA and UNOPS will hold an informal consultation on the UNDP programming arrangements *today*, 29 August 2012, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB). All interested delegations are invited to attend.

## Other activities

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**Wednesday, 29 August 2012**

**Briefing for delegations on facilitation for the arrivals and departures of Heads of State/Government and other senior officials coming to New York for the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly (organized by the United States Mission)**

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[Administrative officers, heads of chancery and others responsible for ensuring the smooth arrival and departure of members of their respective delegations, including VIP delegates, are strongly urged to attend. For further details please contact Mr. Thomas J. Buda, United States Mission (e-mail budat@state.gov; tel. 1 (212) 415-4407).]

## Press conferences

*The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp>.*

**Wednesday, 29 August 2012**

*Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium*

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

# Forthcoming official meetings

## General Assembly

### Committee on Conferences

*Briefing*

A briefing by the Secretariat on matters relevant to the work of the Committee on Conferences will be held on Thursday, 30 August 2012, at 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room AB-0707 (Albano Building, 305 East 46th Street). All members of the Committee are invited to attend. Non-members who wish to attend as observers are requested to submit a written request to Ms. Cristina Schulz-Langendorf (schulz-langendorf@un.org).

*Substantive session*

The substantive session of the Committee on Conferences will be held from Tuesday, 4, to Monday, 10 September 2012, in Conference Room 5 (NLB). The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document A/AC.172/2012/1.

[Reports for consideration by the Committee are contained in the following documents: A/67/127 and A/AC.172/2012/L.2.]

[In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee on Conferences at its 423rd meeting, on 1 September 1999, as reflected in paragraphs 172 to 175 of A/54/32, and amended in paragraph 10 of A/56/32, non-members who wish to participate as observers in the substantive session are invited to send a request in writing to Ms. Cristina Schulz-Langendorf (schulz-langendorf@un.org).]

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### South-South cooperation for development

### High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation

### Working Group

The Chair of the Working Group of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation, Ms. Alison Chartres (Australia), will hold informal informal consultations on the draft decision contained in document SSC/17/L.6, on Wednesday, 5 September 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

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### Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

### Conference of States Parties

Fifth session

The Secretary-General has the honour to inform Member States that the fifth session of the Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities will take in Conference Room 4 (NLB), on Wednesday, 12, and Thursday, 13 September 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; and on Friday, 14 September, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The provisional agenda is contained in document CRPD/CSP/2012/1.

*List of speakers at the general debate*

The general debate will take place on Wednesday, 12 September 2012, in the morning. To facilitate the preparation of the list of speakers which is open for inscription *until Tuesday, 4 September*, delegations are kindly requested to communicate to the secretariat, at the latest by Tuesday, 4 September 2012 (5 p.m.), the relevant information, indicating the full name and title of the speaker. Inscriptions should be sent directly to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail zhangg@un.org).

*Quorum*

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary quorum for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are 119 States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is 80 States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

*Credentials*

The credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be brought or sent to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail zhangg@un.org; room DC2-1314).

*Accessibility*

States parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the accessibility requirements of delegates are advised to do so immediately, in order to facilitate their participation in meetings.

For further information concerning the Conference of States Parties, please contact Mr. Guozhong Zhang, secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail zhangg@un.org); or *click here*.

## Economic and Social Council

Special Ministerial Meeting

The Economic and Social Council will hold a Special Ministerial Meeting on Monday, 24 September 2012, from 3 to 7.45 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), on steps that are needed for a strengthened and more effective multilateral system for sustainable development. The provisional programme and concept note for the meeting are available at the following address: <http://esango.un.org/irene/ecosoc.html?page=viewContent&nr=20162&type=8>.

Members and observers of the Economic and Social Council are requested to provide, *in writing*, as soon as possible, the composition of their delegation to the secretariat of the Council (e-mail syyap@un.org; room IN-0617; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; with a copy to

e-mail pierre52@un.org), indicating clearly the head and alternate head of delegation, as they should appear in the official list of participants.

## United Nations Children's Fund

**Executive Board**
Second regular session 2012

The second regular session 2012 of the Executive Board of UNICEF will take place from Tuesday, 11, to Friday, 14 September 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2012/15.

Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available on the following Web site: <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_65200.html>. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to submit their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (e-mail jpiccolominigeary@unicef.org; fax 1 (212) 326-7096), *no later than Friday, 31 August 2012*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

[The upcoming second regular session 2012 will be the first PaperSmart session of the UNICEF Executive Board. This means that instead of distributing hard copies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading through the UNICEF Executive Board Web site.

All session documents will continue to be available on the existing "Documents" Web page, as per established practice. In addition, the UNICEF Executive Board home page will provide a link to a new "In-session" Web page that will make available all supporting documentation (PowerPoint presentations, statements, etc.) to the individual meetings.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (c/o Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will be embargoed until they are delivered, and then posted to the new "In-session" Web page on the UNICEF Executive Board Web site.]

## Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

*Informal consultations*

The Executive Board of UNDP, of UNFPA and UNOPS will hold informal consultations in Conference Room 6 (NLB) as indicated below. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

*Thursday, 30 August 2012*, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon: on matters to be taken at the second regular session of the Board; followed by another informal consultation on draft decisions to be taken at the session, from 12 noon to 1 p.m.;

*Thursday, 30 August 2012*, from 3 to 5 p.m.: on the UNDP annual review of the financial situation, 2011;

*Friday, 31 August 2012*, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.: on the UNDP programming arrangements; and

*Friday, 31 August 2012*, from 3 to 5 p.m.: Joint UNDP, UNFPA and UNICEF informal consultations: on the integrated budget and cost recovery.

*Second regular session 2012*

The second regular session 2012 of the UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS Executive Board will take place from Tuesday, 4, to Monday, 10 September 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2012/L.3. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to submit their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (e-mail marcela.romero@undp.org; fax 1 (212) 906-5634). Delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene, no later than *today*, 29 August 2012.

## Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

*The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.*

***General Assembly***

**Informal consultations on a draft follow-up resolution entitled "Strengthening the role of mediation in the peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution" (under agenda item 34 (a)) (convened by the Permanent Missions of Finland and Turkey, on behalf of the Group of Friends of Mediation)**

*Tuesday, 4 September 2012*, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

## Forthcoming other meetings

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**Group of Friends of United against Human Trafficking (expert meeting)**

*Thursday, 30 August 2012*, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room B (NLB).

**Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (monthly meeting)**

*Thursday, 30 August 2012*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

**Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (Third Committee experts)**

*Thursday, 30 August 2012*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

**Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Legal Matters**

*Thursday, 30 August 2012*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

**Zone of Peace and Cooperation of the South Atlantic (ZPCSA) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Uruguay)**

*Thursday, 30 August 2012,* from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 10 (NLB).

**Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) (meeting of the New York Committee)**

*Monday, 10 September 2012,* from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

## Forthcoming other activities

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**Briefing on "Every Woman Every Child movement" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Nigeria and Thailand)**

*Monday, 10 September 2012,* from 1.15 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[Members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions, United Nations staff and representatives of accredited non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Chonvipat Changtrakul, Permanent Mission of Thailand (e-mail chonvipatc@hotmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 754-2230, ext. 152).]

**Dialogue between the President of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly and civil society (organized by the Office of President of the General Assembly, in collaboration with the United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (UN-NGLS), the NGO Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the NGO Section, Department of Public Information (DPI))**

*Monday, 10 September 2012*, from 3.30 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

[Non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council or associated with DPI are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Hanifa Mezoui, Office of the President of the General Assembly (e-mail mezouih@un.org).]

**UNITAR general briefing for new delegates on the work of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly**

*Wednesday, 12 September 2012*, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB);

*Thursday, 13 September 2012*, from 10 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB); and

*Friday, 14 September 2012*, from 10 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[The briefing is open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

**Training session on "Using the *Yearbook of the United Nations* online" (co-organized by the Publications and Editorial Cluster, the Outreach Division, Department of Public Information (DPI) and the Dag Hammarskjöld Library)**

*Thursday, 20 September 2012*, from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Training Room (DC2-1142).

[Members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions and United Nations staff are invited. To register for the session, please contact the Dag Hammarskjöld Library (e-mail librarytraining@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5321). For further information concerning the session, please contact Mr. John R. Sebesta, Yearbook Unit (e-mail sebesta@un.org).]

**High-level event on sustainable energy for all (organized by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)**

*Monday, 24 September 2012*, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

[Members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions, United Nations staff and representatives of accredited non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers and for further information please contact Mr. Jonas von Freiesleben, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (e-mail freiesleben@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1660). Information on the initiative, including the Secretary-General's Vision Statement and Action Agenda document, can be found at <www.un.org/en/sefa> or <www.sustainableenergyforall.org>.]

## Announcements

**Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions**

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in room DC2-1142, in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

*Overview of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library* (from 11 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 30 August 2012.

*Introduction to United Nations documents*

Friday, 31 August 2012 *(English)* (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon);

Tuesday, 4 September 2012 *(English)* (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon);

Tuesday, 11 September 2012 *(Spanish)*; (from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.); and

Wednesday, 12 September 2012 (*French)* (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon).

*General Assembly Documentation (new)*

Thursday, 6 September 2012 *(English)* (10 a.m. to 12 noon);

Friday, 7 September 2012 *(English)* (10 a.m. to 12 noon);

Thursday, 13 September 2012 *(Spanish)* (10 a.m. to 12 noon);

Friday, 14 September 2012 *(French)* (10 a.m. to 12 noon); and

Wednesday, 19 September 2012 *(English)* (2.30 to 4.30 p.m.).

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**Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services**

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered.

The second round of language-specific informational meetings for this year will be held in October 2012, in Conference Room E (NLB), according to the following schedule:

*Tuesday, 16 October,* from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Arabic*

*Tuesday, 16 October,* from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese*

*Wednesday, 17 October,* from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *English*

*Wednesday, 17 October,* from 3 to 6 p.m.: *French*

*Thursday, 18 October*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*

*Thursday, 18 October*, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*

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**2012 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, Bangkok, Thailand**

The Regional Courses in International Law (RCIL) provide high-quality training by leading scholars and practitioners on a broad range of core subjects of international law, as well as specific subjects of particular interest to developing countries in a given region. The Regional Courses also provide an opportunity for the participants to focus on contemporary issues of international law in the region with a view to promoting greater understanding and cooperation on such issues.

The Regional Course in International Law for Asia-Pacific Group is scheduled to be held in Thailand in November 2012. The participants for this Regional Course have been selected from the following Members States of the Asia-Pacific Group: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, China, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Nepal, Oman, Philippines, Qatar, Samoa, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tonga, Tuvalu and Viet Nam.

The Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs is seeking contributions from Member States for the Regional Courses. For additional information or inquiries, please contact Ms. Virginia Morris, Principal Legal Officer, Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail morrisv@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6971).

**Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications**

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/66/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org, so as to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only. Further information may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2332 or 1 (917) 367-5895; or by e-mailing at gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org.

**Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies**

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to remind all States parties to the international human rights treaties that the rules of procedure of all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to a meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in advance of a meeting and the Secretariat continues to receive numerous obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. In order to assist delegations with ensuring the timely submission of credentials, advance notice is given of the following meetings of States parties in 2012:

Thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (6 September 2012);

Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (12–14 September 2012); and

Fourteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (18 December 2012).

All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting, in order to ensure the smooth running of the elections.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Credentials for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention
on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should be sent to the secretariat of the Conference in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Credentials for all other meetings should be sent to OHCHR in New York. For any clarifications, please

contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292, room DC1-504).

Kindly take note that all elections for the Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, are organized by the secretariat of the Economic and Social Council, not by OHCHR. All queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Celia Syyap, Economic and Social Affairs Branch, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) (e-mail syyap@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0906).

Please note also that OHCHR is not responsible for the Human Rights Council elections. Queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Mary Muturi, General Assembly Affairs Branch, DGACM (e-mail muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

# Summary of official meetings

**Tuesday, 28 August 2012**

## General Assembly

**United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects**

3rd meeting

*General exchange of views* . . . . . [12]

Statements were made by the representatives of Gabon, China, Saudi Arabia (on behalf of the Arab Group), Côte d'Ivoire (on behalf of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)), Barbados, Botswana, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Switzerland, Bangladesh, Namibia, the Gambia, the Netherlands, the Czech Republic, Israel, Norway, the Niger, Mexico, South Africa, the United Republic of Tanzania, Mali and Cuba.

4th meeting

*General exchange of views* . . . . . [12]

*Statements by intergovernmental organizations* . . . . . [13]

*Statements by non-governmental organizations* . . . . . [14]

Statements were made by the representatives of Burkina Faso, Sri Lanka, Djibouti, the United Kingdom, the Russian Federation, Sweden, Nigeria, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Argentina, Guatemala, Zambia, the Syrian Arab Republic and Jamaica.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL), the League of Arab States, the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), the United Nations Coordinating Action on Small Arms, the East African Community, the Organization of American States, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and the Regional Centre on Small Arms (RECSA).

Statements were also made by the representatives of the International Action Network on Small Arms (IANSA) (from the Philippines and Mexico).

The representatives of Israel and the Syrian Arab Republic made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

**Web site of the presidency**

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

**Recorded information**

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

**Prepared statements**

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

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<www.un.org/Docs/sc/>

*Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism*
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